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Douglas Craig Hardesty, et al. : Confirmation No. 6358  
Serial No. 10/074,851 : Group Art Unit 1761  
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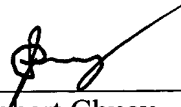
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